

A G E N D A

November 15, 2006 5:00 p.m.

Vice-Chairman Barrett called the meeting to order.

Roll call was taken. PRESENT – Raymond F. Callanan, Alan Grattidge, Philip C. Barrett, Anita Daly, Richard Lucia, Mary Ann Johnson, Jean Raymond, George J. Hargrave, Albert Janik, Jeffrey Trottier, Kenneth J. DeCerce, Paul Sausville, Thomas Richardson, Frank Thompson, Harry G. Gutheil, Jr., Willard H. Peck, Richard C. Hunter, Sr., Thomas N. Wood, III, Cheryl Keyrouze, Joanne Dittes Yepsen, John Lawler, Arthur J. Johnson – 22. ABSENT - J. Gregory Connors – 1.

On a motion by Mr. Peck, seconded by Mr. Hargrave, the minutes of the meeting of October 11, 2006 were approved unanimously.

Mr. Wickerham reviewed the following Agenda items:

LEGISLATIVE AND RESEARCH

Requesting State Legislation to include all of Saratoga County into the Hudson River Valley Greenway. (Jason Kemper, Planning Director)

Mr. Wickerham said this will be in the form of Home Rule legislation, and it will require State action.

Opposing the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) decision to make State training school facility rate changes retroactive to 2001 and asking the legislature to outlaw all retroactive rate increases. (Bob Christopher, Social Services Commissioner)

Mr. Wickerham said in come cases, it is 51%.

SOCIAL PROGRAMS

Accepting \$470 in donations made in memory of Joseph DeCerce. (Sandi Cross, Office for the Aging Director)

Authorizing Office for the Aging's 2007 Annual Implementation Plan and related contracts. (Sandi Cross, Office for the Aging Director)

Mr. Wickerham stated a copy of that Plan is in each Supervisor's mailbox.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into agreements with NYS Department of Health for the Children with Special Health Care Needs Program for the period of 10/1/06 to 9/30/09. (Helen Endres, Public Health Nursing Director)

Mr. Wickerham said \$26,593 will be transferred from the EI budget.

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into amended contracts with various agencies to accept additional State Aid in the amount of \$66,332 and amending the 2006 budget: (Dale Angstadt, Mental Health Director)

- Association for Retarded Citizens - \$8,355 – COLA & additional funding
- Community Human Services (CHS) - \$528 – COLA only
- Community Work and Independence, Inc. - \$5,884 – COLA & additional funding
- Northeast Career Planning - \$4,542 – COLA & additional funding
- Northeast Parent and Child Society - \$1,871 – COLA & additional funding
- Shelter of Saratoga - \$264 – COLA only
- Saratoga Center for the Family - \$253 – COLA only
- Transitional Services Association, Inc. - \$29,384 – COLA & additional funding
- Unlimited Possibilities, Inc. - \$7,939 – COLA & additional funding
- Mechanicville Area Community Center - \$312 - COLA
- Road to Recovery Program - \$7,000 – additional funding

Mr. Wickerham said \$66,332 will be passed through us. None stays with the County, he said.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into an agreement with Crawford Electric Service, Inc. to install electrical service at the Spruce Mountain Communications Building in an amount not to exceed \$11,000. (Paul Lent, Emergency Services Director)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Authorizing an application for \$30,377 in State Aid for the purchase of a utility vehicle and trail grooming equipment and amending the budget in relation thereto. (Jason Kemper, Planning Director)

Mr. Wickerham said this equipment will be turned over to the Snowmobile Clubs, and they will maintain and assume liability.

LAND PRESERVATION

Adopting the Saratoga County Green Infrastructure Plan. (Jason Kemper, Planning Director)

WATER COMMITTEE

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into agreements with Environmental Capital LLC to act as a fiscal advisor to the County Water Project subject to the approval of the County Attorney and the Contract Administrator. (Wes Carr, Project Manager)

Mr. Wickerham stated there are a number of small items that need to be looked up on this.

LAW AND FINANCE

Authorizing the Commissioners of Elections to provide party representatives for the 2006 election year at a cost of \$75 per person per election. (Diane Wade, Bill Fruci, and Bill Baker, Personnel Director)

Mr. Wickerham said this is for the elections that have already been held. He stated \$6,300 is contained in the Election's budget.

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into agreements with Delaware Engineering to provide services relative to the expansion of the sewer plant for a cost not to exceed \$1,966,000. (Jim DiPasquale, Sewer District Director)

Mr. Wickerham said there were four responses to the R.F.P. The Sewer Commission and Board Chairman chose this low bidder.

Repealing Resolution 142 of 2006 limiting the sales tax collection on the purchase of gasoline. (Mark Rider, County Attorney)

Mr. Wickerham said it is the intent of the Law & Finance Committee to quantify the value of that sales tax and apply it to property tax.

Authorizing levy for unpaid 2006 Sacandaga Lake maintenance assessments. (Mark Rider, County Attorney)

Setting November 29, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. in the Saratoga County Board Rooms as the time and place for the public hearing on the 2007 budget. (David Wickerham, County Administrator)

Adopting the 2007 County Budget. (David Wickerham, County Administrator) (TO BE TABLED)

Appropriating amounts finally set forth in the 2007 County Budget. (David Wickerham, County Administrator) (TO BE TABLED)

Mr. Wickerham said these two tabled resolutions will be adopted when the budget is adopted in December.

Vice-Chairman Barrett announced that the Budget Workshop will be held here on Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

Mrs. Plummer reminded the Supervisors that pictures will be taken before Tuesday's Board Meeting; the public hearing on the 2007 budget will be held November 29th; and the Board Christmas Party will be held December 1st.

On a motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Hargrave, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Sodemann

REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2006
AT 4:00 P.M., E.S.T.

Board called to order by Chairman Gutheil.

Roll call was taken. PRESENT –Alan Grattidge, Philip C. Barrett, Anita Daly, Richard Lucia, Mary Ann Johnson, Jean Raymond, George J. Hargrave, Albert Janik, Jeffrey Trottier, Kenneth J. DeCerco, Paul Sausville, Thomas Richardson, Frank Thompson, Harry G. Gutheil, Jr., Willard H. Peck, Richard C. Hunter, Sr., Thomas N. Wood, III, Cheryl Keyrouze, Joanne Dittes Yepsen, J. Gregory Connors, John Lawler, Arthur J. Johnson - 22. ABSENT - Raymond F. Callanan – 1.

The invocation was given by Tom Wood, Chaplain.

PUBLIC INPUT

Jacqueline Ruff, Day Care Provider in Milton, stated she cares for 10 subsidized children. She said she is here to represent not only herself but 170 day care providers in the County. The subsidized children are children of low-income parents whose day care fees are reimbursed by the County. She said it has been taking at times up to six weeks for these day care providers in the County to be paid by the County. This delay tends to help day care providers go out of business, she said. She mentioned a lot of day care providers are not willing to take subsidized children any more because having these children ties up their finances. She said they feel a start up grant for the parents would help. She stated they used to receive the checks from the County every two weeks, but about a year and a half ago, things started to change, and they are now receiving the checks in three to four weeks. She said they were told there is not enough staff to meet the demand. We do not have anyone willing to talk to us or help us work with our issues or concerns, she said.

Bonnie Halse, Day Care Provider in Milton, said if these subsidized kids are out sick, they do not get paid for those days. She said when they call the County and find out the checks are ready, they would like to be able to pick them up rather than the County mailing them, but they were told they cannot do that because it is a State mandate that they get mailed. She stated the County could save money on postage if they were allowed to pick them up. She said they should be paid more frequently if their paperwork is in. It is very hard to wait for the checks when we do not have another income, she said. County employees get their checks every two weeks on their desks, she said. We just want a push to get things better for us, she added. She said she is personally waiting for \$2,500 that she has not received since the first of the month.

Chairman Gutheil stated these are processed through the County Auditor's office. Jack Murray, County Auditor, stated it may take three weeks or longer for the most part from the time he receives the abstract with the Department of Social Services' claim. He said he will approve the abstracts from four to six working days from the time he receives them. He said Social Services has to review the paperwork first, and then it gets loaded into their computer system.

Mr. Lawler said this is a reasonable concern, and we should see if we can move more quickly on this.

Chairman Gutheil said he would like a synopsis from the County Auditor as to time lines and what other counties do.

Vice-Chairman Barrett said the new budget will help regarding the Auditing department. There was an issue brought to us by the Auditor with a need for more hours in the department to process work more quickly. Personnel has recommended a part-time position for that department, he said.

Mr. DeCerco said it sounds like these day care providers only have individuals supported by DSS. Ms. Ruff said some of them do. DSS provides a subsidy for the parents so that they can go to work, she said.

Ms. Halse said they need to keep their heat at 75 degrees at all times and purchase everything according to the State's policy as well as toys, blankets, sheets, pillow cases, etc. We have to come up with the money regardless, she said. She said they used to get paid every two weeks up until last year. She said she only takes low-income

kids because these children also need a place to go other than going to a larger day care center. Ms. Ruff mentioned it is up to the parent to pay what the County does not.

Bob Christopher, DSS Commissioner, stated they have a day care program funded by \$2.5 million each year. We serve over 600 families and over 300 kids in day care, he said. He stated they have reviewed their policies with Ms. Ruff and Ms. Halse. He said the voucher comes to the public assistance unit and processed and sent to our accounting department and then to the Auditor’s office, Treasurer’s office and then mailed out. He said they do not have a waiting list, and they want to serve as many children as possible. We talk to day care vendors regularly, he said. I personally believe our processing time is about as fast as we can get within the constraints of the system, he said.

Chairman Gutheil asked Mr. Murray how many vouchers per month does his office handle. Mr. Murray stated 5,000 to 5,500. He said his office approves the claims, and then the checks are processed through the Treasurer’s office. He said the New York State Comptroller’s Office wants checks to be mailed to be sure there is no hanky panky.

Mr. Connors suggested this issue be placed on the Social Programs Committee agenda for December, and then make a report to the full Board. Chairman Gutheil stated that would be proper. Ms. Keyrouze asked that these day care providers be invited to that meeting. Chairman Gutheil said the meetings are open to the public.

On a motion by Mr. Connors, seconded by Mr. Lucia, the minutes of the meeting of October 17, 2006 were approved unanimously.

The Clerk presented the following:

Copy of a resolution adopted by the Rensselaer County Legislature “Urging the Federal Government to Change the Threshold on the Tax Placed on Social Security Income.”

Referred to Supervisor A. Johnson and the County Administrator.

Copy of a resolution adopted by the Essex County Board of Supervisors “In Opposition to the Moose River Plains Recreation Area Unit Management Plan as Drafted.”

Received and filed.

Copy of a Motion of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation in Great Sacandaga Lake Project No. 12252-023 and Docket No. EL 06-91-000.

Received and filed.

Copy of a Motion of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation in Fourth Branch Associates (Mechanicville) v. Hudson River-Black River Regulating District, Docket No. EL06-91-000 and Project No. 12252-023.

Received and filed.

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing to thank you for your generous donation in memory of Joe DeCerce. It will be used to support the Saratoga County Nutrition Program that each day delivers about 500 hot meals to the homebound. In addition, a nutritious lunch is provided in a social environment for seniors at fifteen meal sites throughout the County.

Thank you again for your support of this much needed program.

Sincerely,

Sandra M. Cross
 Director

Saratoga County Office for the Aging

REPORTS:

REPORT NO. 7-06

MORTGAGE TAX REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Saratoga County:

The following is a report of the Mortgage Tax collected and to be distributed to Cities, Towns and Villages; and the County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay such amounts.

Amount in the hands of the County Treasurer for distribution in County after adjustments, deduction of expenses and payments of State's share is \$5,099,521.52 distributed to Cities, Towns and Villages as follows:

Ballston	\$ 191,231.81
Ballston Spa (Ball)	6,775.64
Milton	326,041.15
Ballston Spa (Milton)	39,427.48
Charlton	87,553.68
Clifton Park	1,001,668.93
Corinth	65,911.03
Village of Corinth	21,892.27
Day	25,712.17
Edinburg	32,300.51
Galway	93,651.46
Village of Galway	1,752.82
Greenfield	149,882.46
Hadley	38,227.73
Halfmoon	435,493.79
Malta	324,689.70
Village of Round Lake	6,322.28
City of Mechanicville	52,428.16
Moreau	164,569.69
Vill. of So. Glens Falls	54,835.89
Northumberland	101,059.22
Providence	39,574.60
Saratoga	128,367.80
Village of Schuylerville	10,402.96
Village of Victory	3,646.91
City of Sara. Spgs.	933,415.13
Stillwater	204,581.11
Village of Stillwater	14,704.51
Waterford	119,769.23
Village of Waterford	6,639.80
Wilton	416,991.60

TOTAL \$5,099,521.52

On a motion by Mr. Connors, seconded by Mr. Thompson, Report No. 7 was approved unanimously.

Mr. Lawler, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, stated the County was successful in our presentation for the APA earlier this month. The County succeeded in securing our permit to move forward with radio towers. He thanked the Supervisors for their support, and he thanked the Committee members who worked diligently. He acknowledged the hard work of Paul Lent, the Director of the Office of Emergency Services. He was instrumental along with our consultants and attorney, he said. He also thanked the APA for finally seeing it our way.

Chairman Gutheil also thanked the Public Safety Committee and Paul Lent.

Ms. Raymond complimented the Radio Committee and Mr. Lawler. I am amazed they have accomplished what they have, she said. I am looking forward to seeing the finished radio system, she added.

Mr. DeCerco, Chairman of the PCB Dredging Committee, said he wanted to draw the Board's attention to the very nice brochure put together by the Committee, and he thanked the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce and the Southern Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce for sponsoring the forum to make that happen.

Mr. Lucia, Chairman of the Veterans' Committee, stated it was brought to the Committee's attention that there are a lot of returning men and women who are not coming forth to take advantage of benefits available to them. We are asking the Supervisors to refer these people to the Veterans' department, he said.

Mr. Peck, Chairman of the Land Preservation Committee, said in anticipation of the Board's approval of the Green Infrastructure Plan, he thanked the Committee for their hard work, and those participating throughout the County should be commended. As we continue to drop tax rates at the County level, we are able to balance the gray with the green infrastructure, he said.

On a motion by Mr. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Hargrave, Rule 8 was suspended for the balance of the day on Resolution Nos. 229 through 243 by a unanimous vote.

On a motion by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Barrett, Resolutions 244 and 245 were tabled by a unanimous vote.

On a motion by Mr. DeCerco, seconded by Mr. Trottier, all resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote, with the exception of Resolution 238.

RESOLUTION 229 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors A. Johnson, Connors, Daly, Peck, Raymond, Sausville and Trottier

REQUESTING THE AMENDMENT OF NYS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW TO INCLUDE SARATOGA COUNTY WITHIN THE BOUNDARY OF THE HUDSON RIVER VALLEY GREENWAY

WHEREAS, the Hudson River Valley Greenway Act of 1991 created a process for the voluntary regional cooperation among 242 communities located within 13 counties in the Hudson River Valley that are included within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Hudson River Valley Greenway provides its communities with planning grant opportunities and technical assistance to help communities develop a vision for their future and the tools to achieve it by balancing economic development and resource protection objectives; and

WHEREAS, the Hudson River Valley Greenway supports the tradition of New York State municipal home rule and as such has no regulatory authority over any municipalities, with municipal participation in the Greenway being completely voluntary; and

WHEREAS, the County of Saratoga has an interest in becoming a Hudson River Valley Greenway county, but is currently not included within the existing boundary of the Hudson River Valley Greenway; and

WHEREAS, the County of Saratoga supports the objectives of the Hudson River Valley Greenway and would like to avail itself of the benefits associated with the Greenway program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors requests that the New York State Legislature and the Governor amend Sections 44-0103 and 44-0109 of the NYS Environmental Conservation Law to include the County of Saratoga within the boundary of the Hudson River Valley Greenway; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Saratoga County's state legislative representatives, the chairs of the Senate and Assembly Environmental Conservation Committees, and the Governor.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 230 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors A. Johnson, Connors, Daly, Peck, Raymond, Sausville and Trottier

IN OPPOSITION TO OCFS STATE TRAINING SCHOOL RATE INCREASES

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors that the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) intends to increase the rate it charges to counties for the cost of placing children in state training school facilities, not only for calendar year 2006, but retroactively back to January 6, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the imposition of this retroactive charge represents a 51% per year increase in this charge for which the counties did not have an opportunity to budget; and

WHEREAS, Saratoga County has received no official notification or warning of the intent of OCFS to impose this unwarranted retroactive charge; and

WHEREAS, the proposed imposition of this charge is apparently due to the irresponsible failure of OCFS to properly calculate and project this cost for a six year period, and not to any fault of Saratoga County or the other counties of the State; and

WHEREAS, payment of the proposed charges will impose a severe and substantial hardship on the counties of the State which are already finalizing their budgets for 2007; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors hereby protests the intent of the OCFS to retroactively increase the rate it charged counties for the cost of placing children in state training school facilities; for the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006; and be it further

RESOLVED, that OCFS abandon its proposed retroactive increase in said rates for the said years; and be it further

RESOLVED, that OCFS be requested to give the counties notice of any intent to increase charges for the cost of placing children in state training school facilities at least 120 days before December 15 of the year prior to the year in which such increase is proposed to take effect; and be it further

RESOLVED, in the event OCFS persists with its intended imposition of retroactive charges, the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors urges the New York State Association of Counties to institute a legal action against New York State and its Office of Children and Family Services to prevent such increase, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board forward a copy of this Resolution to Governor George E. Pataki; Senator Joseph Bruno; Senator Hugh Farley; Assemblyman Sheldon Silver, Assemblyman James Tedisco, Assemblyman Teresa Sayward, Assemblyman Roy McDonald and, the Office of Children and Family Services, the New York State Association of Counties and Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: Retroactive increases could cost local taxpayers up to \$300,000.

RESOLUTION 231 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Hargrave, Barrett, Callanan, Grattidge, Keyrouze, Lucia and Yepsen

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS TO SARATOGA COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING

WHEREAS, the Saratoga County Office for the Aging has received \$470 in donations made in the memory of Joseph DeCerce; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors accepts \$470 in generous donations made in the memory of Joseph DeCerce, that will be used for the Saratoga County Home Delivered Meal Program; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of the Saratoga County Office for the Aging take the appropriate steps to express the gratitude of the Board for this generous gift.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. These donations will be used in support of the Saratoga County Home Delivered Meal Program.

RESOLUTION 232 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Hargrave, Barrett, Callanan, Grattidge, Keyrouze, Lucia and Yepsen

AUTHORIZING 2007 ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND 2007 SUBCONTRACTS FOR OFFICE FOR THE AGING

WHEREAS, the Saratoga County Office for the Aging, provides programs to some elderly County residents under Title III of the Federal Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended, and the State Community Services Act of 1979 (Executive Law, Article 19-J); and

WHEREAS, the Federal Act requires the preparation of a Four-Year Service Plan, annual updates and funding applications for the provisions of listed services; and

WHEREAS, the State Act requires the submission of an Annual Plan for the delivery of community services which Plan also serves as the Federal annual update; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 194-05 approved the 2006 Annual Plan; and

WHEREAS, our Office for the Aging has proposed a 2007 Annual Implementation Plan which includes the appropriate annual funding application; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on this proposal was held on October 27, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Office for the Aging submitted its proposed 2006-2010 Annual Implementation Plan for our approval; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following 2007 Annual Implementation Plan is approved, namely:

PROVIDER	FUNDING	SERVICE	TERM	AMOUNT
The Dorsey Law Firm 1 Court Street Saratoga Springs, NY 12866	IIIB	Legal	1/1/07-12/31/07	\$10,260.00
			Contributions	\$ 500.00
			Match	\$ 960.00
			Reimbursement	\$ 8,800.00
Eleanor Mullaney 480 Broadway Suite 332 Saratoga Springs, NY 12866	IIIB	Legal	1/1/07-12/31/07	\$10,260.00
			Contributions	\$ 500.00
			Match	\$ 960.00
			Reimbursement	\$ 8,800.00
Capitaland Taxi Corp. 22 Kraft Ave. Albany, NY 12205	IIIB	Transportation (City of Saratoga Springs)	1/1/07-12/31/07	\$82,170.00
			Contributions	\$ 2,000.00
			Match	\$ 0.00
			Reimbursement	\$80,170.00
Capitaland Taxi Corp. 22 Kraft Ave. Albany, NY 12205	IIIB	Transportation (6 Towns)	1/1/07-12/31/07	\$82,170.00
			Contributions	\$ 2,200.00
			Match	\$ 0.00
			Reimbursement	\$79,970.00
Northeastern Assoc f/t Blind 310 Washington Ave. Albany, NY 12201	IIID	Specialized Training for Visually Impaired	1/1/07-12/31/07	\$ 4,700.00
			Contributions	\$ 0.00
			Match	\$ 1,600.00
			Reimbursement	\$ 3,100.00
Home Instead 229 Washington Street Saratoga Springs, NY 12866	IIIE	In-Home Respite Care	1/1/07-12/31/07	\$35,000.00 (\$15.95/hour)
City of Mechanicville 36 North Main Street Mechanicville, NY 12118	Community Services for the Elderly (CSE)	Transportation	4/1/07-3/31/08	\$ 9,100.00
			Contributions	\$ 3,500.00
			Match	\$ 1,400.00
			Reimbursement	\$ 4,200.00

Town of Corinth 600 Palmer Ave. Corinth, NY 12822	Community Services for the Elderly (CSE)	Transportation	4/1/07-3/31/08	\$ 9,925.00
			Contributions	\$ 350.00
			Match	\$ 2,395.00
			Reimbursement	\$ 7,180.00
Glens Falls Assoc f/t Blind 144 Ridge Street Glens Falls, NY 12801	Community Services for the Elderly (CSE)	Counseling & Training Services	4/1/07-3/31/08	\$ 6,700.00
			Contributions	\$ 25.00
			Match	\$ 1,675.00
			Reimbursement	\$ 5,000.00
Association for the Hearing Impaired 71 Glenwood Ave. Queensbury, NY 12804	Community Services for the Elderly (CSE)	Hearing Impaired Services	4/1/07-3/31/08	\$ 3,750.00
			Contributions	\$ 0.00
			Match	\$ 1,000.00
			Reimbursement	\$ 2,750.00
Evergreen Adult Day Care 131 Lawrence St. Saratoga Springs, NY 12866	EISEP	Social Adult Day Care	4/1/07-3/31/08	\$84,000.00
			Contributions	\$24,522.00
			Match	\$15,000.00
			Reimbursement	\$44,478.00
Capitaland Taxi Corp. 22 Kraft Ave. Albany, NY 12205	SNAP CSE	Transportation (4 Towns)	4/1/07-3/31/08	\$16,280.00
			4/1/07-3/31/08	\$ 6,670.00
			Contributions	\$ 80.00
			Match	\$ 0.00
			Reimbursement	\$22,870.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board and/or the Director of our Office for the Aging are authorized and directed to sign the 2007 Plan, its attached funding applications and the following subcontracts, the form and content thereof being subject to the approvals of the Contract Administrator and the County Attorney.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. The funding for these contracts has been included in the 2007 Tentative Budget.

RESOLUTION 233 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Daly, Callanan, Connors, Lucia, Raymond, Richardson and Thompson

AUTHORIZING MULTI-YEAR DOH CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS GRANT AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, the Federally-funded Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Program is conducted by our Public Health Nursing Service; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Health is offering a funding grant for this program covering the three year cycle of 10-1-06 through 9-30-09, with funding appropriated annually; and

WHEREAS, the State now requests County approval for this grant for the next three years; and

WHEREAS, this program is a useful and desirable service for our residents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to execute all necessary contracts and documents with the Department of Health to accept a Children With Special Health Care Needs grant and provide services and all necessary subcontracts for the continuation of the CSHCN Program from October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2009, subject, however, to annual State appropriations and the approval of the form and content of said documents by the County Attorney.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. The State will reimburse Public Health Nursing Services \$26,593 for services provided under this program.

RESOLUTION 234 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Daly, Callanan, Connors, Lucia, Raymond, Richardson and Thompson

AMENDING MENTAL HEALTH CONTRACTS AND 2006 BUDGET TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL STATE FUNDS

WHEREAS, Resolution 28-96, as amended by Resolution 41-97, authorized ongoing contracts for mental health services, subject to annual appropriations, with various agencies; and

WHEREAS, additional funds are available from the New York State Office of Mental Health and New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the current contracts with the following agencies and the 2006 Budget is necessary to accept these funds; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute amended contracts with the following agencies to provide for the indicated increase in funding for their services:

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>REVISED TOTAL</u>	<u>FUNDING LINE</u>
Saratoga Bridges, NYS Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc., Saratoga County Chapter	\$ 8,355	\$ 670,764	NYS OMH (Reinv) \$34,801 NYS OMH (ISE) \$8,113 NYS OMRDD (OT620) \$264,563 SARATOGA COUNTY \$98,724
Community Work & Independence, Inc.	\$ 5,884	\$ 46,057	NYS OMH (Reinv) \$7,753 NYS OMH (ISE) \$5,830 NYS OMRDD (OT620) \$11,614 SARATOGA COUNTY \$9,084
Northeast Career Planning	\$ 4,542	\$ 27,826	NYS OMH (Integrated Supported Employment) \$27,826
Shelters of Saratoga	\$ 264	\$ 37,772	NYS OMH (Reinv) \$37,772
Transitional Services Association, Inc.	\$29,384	\$1,448,768	NYS OMH (CSS) \$145,244 NYS OMH (CSS-Psych-social) \$6,552 NYS OMH (ICM) \$19,124 NYS OMH (ICM Adult) \$35,807 NYS OMH (ICM Youth) \$25,267 NYS OMH (Supported Housing) \$159,969 NYS OMH (Reinvestment) \$591,021 NYS OMH (Kendra's Law) \$31,375 NYS OMH(New Initiatives) \$231,031 NYS OASAS \$203,378
Unlimited Possibilities, Inc.	\$ 7,939	\$ 999,738	NYS OMH (ICM) \$14,727 NYS OMH (CSS) \$504,298 NYS OMH (L.A) \$21,016 NYS OMH (SpecEmp/Psych/ Rehab) \$35,763 NYS OMH (Reinvest) \$219,947 NYS OMH (ISE) \$38,940 NYS OMH (IJR) \$100,700 NYS OMRDD (OT620) \$11,090 SARATOGA COUNTY \$32,241
Mechanicville Area Community Center	\$ 312	\$ 20,311	NYS OMH (L.A.) \$9,219 NYS OASAS \$1,471

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2006 County Budget is amended as follows:

MENTAL HEALTH:

Appropriations:

Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8733.200 (ARC RF)	\$ 242
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8733.037 (ARC ISE)	\$ 8,113
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8728.046 (Comm Hm Sr)	\$ 528
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8730.200 (Com Wrk RF)	\$ 54
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8730.037 (CWI ISE)	\$ 5,830
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8749.037 (NECarerPln)	\$ 4,542
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8741.200 (NEP&CSocRF)	\$ 1,871
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8734.1 (Shelters)	\$ 264
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8731.001 (SarCnFamLA)	\$ 253
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8726.034 (Trans ICM)	\$ 560
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8726.078 (TrnsServSH)	\$ 4,595
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8726.140 (TSA NI)	\$ 3,077
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8726.170 (Kendra Law)	\$ 218
Increase Acct. #1-43-443-8726.013(Trns SrASA)	\$20,934
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8727.001 (Unlim LA)	\$ 715
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8727.034 (Unlim ICM)	\$ 103
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8727.037 (Unlim PosISE)	\$ 4,643
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8727.039 (Unlim PR)	\$ 249
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8727.040 (UP IJR)	\$ 700
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8727.200 (Unlim RF)	\$ 1,529
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8729.001 (Mech Serv LA)	\$ 309
Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8729.014 (MechanicCSS)	\$ 3
Increase Acct. #1-43-443-8640.013 (Road Recov)	\$ 7,000

Revenue:

Increase Acct. #1-43-3469 (MH Reinvest)	\$ 3,960
Increase Acct. #1-43-3474 (Family Supp)	\$ 528
Increase Acct. #1-43-3475 (InovJobReh)	\$ 700
Increase Acct. #1-43-3476 (Spec Employ)	\$23,377
Increase Acct. #1-43-3489 (SA OASAS)	\$20,934
Increase Acct. #1-43-3490 (MntlHlthSA)	\$ 218
Increase Acct. #1-43-3491 (MH-Supphou)	\$ 4,595
Increase Acct. #1-43-3492 (MH SA Init)	\$ 3,077
Increase Acct. #1-43-3494 (CSS)	\$ 3
Increase Acct. #1-43-3495 (IntCaseMGT)	\$ 663
Increase Acct. #1-43-3497 (Contr Agenc)	\$ 1,277
Increase Acct. #1-43-3498 (Road Recov)	\$ 7,000

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the form and content of such contract being subject to the approval of the County Attorney and Contract Administrator.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. 100% State Aid.

RESOLUTION 235 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Lawler, Barrett, Connors, Grattidge, Janik, M. Johnson and Trottier

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CRAWFORD ELECTRIC SERVICE, INC. TO INSTALL ELECTRIC SERVICE AT THE SPRUCE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING

WHEREAS, the anticipated use of a radio tower located on Spruce Mountain for an emergency radio system facility necessitates the installation of electrical service; and

WHEREAS, three price quotations were received pertaining to installing electrical service at the Spruce Mountain Communications Building; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee has recommended that the quotation of Crawford Electric Service, Inc. be accepted for the electrical work at the Spruce Mountain Communications Building; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute an agreement with Crawford Electric Service, Inc. of Ballston Spa, New York for the installation of electrical service at the Spruce Mountain Communications Center at a cost not to exceed \$11,000, the form and substance of the contract subject to the approval of the County Attorney and Contract Administrator.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 236 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Peck, Daly, DeCerce, Johnson, Lawler, Sausville and Yepsen

AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF A RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM GRANT FOR EQUIPMENT FOR THE ZIM SMITH TRAIL AND AMENDING THE 2006 BUDGET IN RELATION THERETO

WHEREAS, grant funds are available under the Recreational Trails Program of the N.Y.S. Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Program (O.P.R.H.P.) for the purchase of equipment to assist with the routine maintenance of the Zim Smith Trail; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute an application and all other documents necessary to apply for and accept an OPRHP Recreational Trails Program Grant in the amount of \$30,377 for the funding of the purchase of equipment to assist with routine maintenance of the Zim Smith Trail; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2006 Saratoga County Budget is amended as follows:

PLANNING

Appropriations:

Increase Acct. #1-80-000-7080 Equipment	\$30,377
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Revenues:

Increase Acct. #1-80-2770 Unclassified Revenues	\$30,377
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BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 237 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, Peck, A. Johnson and Sausville

APPROVING THE GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN FOR SARATOGA COUNTY

WHEREAS, by Resolution 152-05 this Board authorized the preparation of a Saratoga County Open Space Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such authority, after substantial study and public input by various interested individuals and organizations, the draft Green Infrastructure Plan for Saratoga County was submitted to the Saratoga County Farmland/Open Space Preservation Committee for review; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recommends that the Plan be approved; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Green Infrastructure Plan for Saratoga County be and the same is hereby received, accepted, and approved.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

Discussion on Res. 238:

Ms. Keyrouze stated she believes the water project needs fiscal advisory, however, she said she is against this water plan. We should have signed contracts before we spend \$80,000, she said.

Ms. Yepsen said she is against this project as well, but she is in favor of being smart financially so we can avoid using \$15 million of taxpayers' money interest free. Hopefully, they will advise us, she said.

On a motion by Mr. Connors, seconded by Mr. Wood, Res. 238 was adopted by the following vote: AYES - Mr. Barrett 16,555; Mr. Connors 7,522; Ms. Daly 16,555; Mr. DeCerce 18,359; Mr. Grattidge 3,954; Mr. Gutheil 13,549; Mr. Hargrave 3,589; Mr. Hunter 1,841; Mr. Janik 7,362; Mr. Johnson 12,541; Mrs. Johnson 920; Mr. Lawler 8,515; Mr. Lucia 6,259; Mr. Peck 4,603; Ms. Raymond 1,384; Mr. Richardson 5,019; Mr. Sausville 13,005; Mr. Thompson 17,103; Mr. Trottier 1,971; Mr. Wood 5,114; Ms. Yepsen 13,093. NOES - Ms. Keyrouze 13,093. ABSENT - Mr. Callanan 8,729.

RESOLUTION 238 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Callanan, Connors, Daly, Johnson, Sausville, Thompson and Wood

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL CAPITAL LLC TO ACT AS FISCAL ADVISOR TO THE COUNTY WATER PROJECT

WHEREAS, the County Water Project will require the issuance of public bonds to finance the project; and
WHEREAS, a qualified financial consultant is needed to assist the County in the issuance of bonds; and
WHEREAS, proposals from qualified consultants were solicited and the Water Committee recommends acceptance of the proposal of Environmental Capital LLC; and

WHEREAS, the Water Committee has recommended that the Environmental Capital LLC be hired to act as a fiscal advisor to the County Water Project; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute an agreement with Environmental Capital LLC of 110 West Fortieth Street, Suite 1804, New York, New York 10018 to act as a fiscal advisor to the County Water Project, the form and substance of the contracts subject to the approval of the County Attorney and Contract Administrator.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: Total cost of services will not exceed \$80,000 and will be included in the Capital Project.

RESOLUTION 239 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, DeCerce, Hargrave, A. Johnson, M. Johnson, Peck and Wood

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF PARTY REPRESENTATIVES FOR ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, recently enacted State laws require Saratoga County to assume functions which were previously fulfilled by the local municipalities in connection with conducting elections; and

WHEREAS, it is required that each Town and City within the County have two Party Representatives to be appointed by the Election Commissioners and compensated by the County; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2006 Budget to provide compensation for these Party Representatives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Election Commissioners are authorized to appoint two Party Representatives for each Town and City, and that they be compensated at a rate of \$75.00 per election.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: \$6,300 expense, which is within the 2006 budget.

RESOLUTION 240 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, DeCerce, Hargrave, A. Johnson, M. Johnson, Peck and Wood

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH DELAWARE ENGINEERING, P.C. TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATIVE TO THE EXPANSION OF THE SEWER PLANT

WHEREAS, development in Saratoga County has resulted in the Saratoga County Sewer District #1 treatment plant to be operating at near capacity; and

WHEREAS, a major upgrade in the plant is necessary to create sufficient additional capacity to accommodate foreseeable future development; and

WHEREAS, the Sewer District Commissioners have solicited and entertained competitive proposals for engineering services relative to the expansion of the Saratoga County Sewer Plant; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director and the Sewer Commissioners recommend that a contract for such services be awarded to Delaware Engineering, P.C., the lowest bidder; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to execute an agreement with Delaware Engineering, P.C. of 28 Madison Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203 for its engineering services for the expansion of the Saratoga County Sewer Plant, at a total cost not to exceed \$1,966,000, the form and content of said agreement being subject to the approval of the Contract Administrator and the County Attorney.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: Funds are available within the Sewer District's capital reserve.

Discussion on Res. 241:

Mr. Thompson said we voted on this, and after we voted, he didn't see any difference. Other counties' gas prices were lower, he said. He said he is wondering if this is repealed, will this be a chance for oil companies to start increasing again. Chairman Gutheil said we didn't have the competitive edge we should have had. This way, we can guarantee that money going directly back to taxpayers as a tax reduction, he said. Mr. Thompson said he believes we will get blamed if gas prices increase. Mr. DeCerce said we have the option of reinstalling this as well as reversing it. He said in his town, there were places where gas prices were consistently higher. In Ballston Spa, there is a 10 to 12 cents difference. We do not have any control, he said. He stated that is the reason we moved into this direction.

Chairman Gutheil said in South Glens Falls, gas was more than in Queensbury.

Vice-Chairman Barrett said it is overwhelming to hear the Supervisors say that in a lot of cases, we were higher in gas prices. To insure we are providing as much tax relief as possible, we felt reducing this tax on property tax was the way to go. We are very proud of the tax cut in the next budget, he said.

Mr. Lawler said the tax break we tried to pass on to consumers went directly in the pockets of the owners of the gas stations. At least by taking those funds and applying them to the property tax rebate, the entire amount collected will go to the residents of Saratoga County, he said. Before, a good part of the money went to people outside of the County, he stated. He said once the sales tax exemption is gone, it will not leave a lot of room for gas stations to raise rates. They still have to be competitive, he added.

Ms. Keyrouze said she believes in property tax cuts, but the average \$200,000 house will receive a tax cut of \$10, and she does not think that is substantial.

Mr. Lucia mentioned after the Board passed the previous resolution, several of his constituents said they didn't see it at the gas pumps at all.

RESOLUTION 241 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, DeCerce, Hargrave, A. Johnson, M. Johnson, Peck and Wood

REPEALING SARATOGA COUNTY'S CENTS PER GALLON RATE OF SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAXES ON MOTOR FUEL AND DIESEL MOTOR FUEL, THUS RESTORING ITS PERCENTAGE RATE OF SUCH TAXES, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF ARTICLE 29 OF THE TAX LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 4-B of Resolution No. 145 of 1982, is hereby REPEALED.

SECTION 2. This resolution shall take effect March 1, 2007.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact. The increased sales tax receipts in 2007 will be offset by a dollar for dollar property tax reduction.

RESOLUTION 242 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, DeCerce, Hargrave, A. Johnson, M. Johnson, Peck and Wood

AUTHORIZING LEVY FOR UNPAID 2006 SACANDAGA LAKE MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 15-2125 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York, and acts amendatory thereof, the Board of Hudson River – Black River Regulating District did, on the 12th day of June 2006, make an estimate of and fix and determine an amount sufficient to pay the annual expense of the maintenance and operation of Great Sacandaga Lake (formerly Sacandaga Reservoir), for a period of one (1) year, and the said annual cost having been by said Board duly apportioned among the public corporations and real estate benefited according to the benefits derived there from respectively; and

WHEREAS, it has been duly determined that the total amount of the cost of the maintenance and operation of said Lake for the year 2006 shall be assessed and levied on each public corporation and each parcel of real estate benefited, and the Board of Hudson River – Black River Regulating District, successor under Chapter 855 of Laws of 1959 to Board of Hudson River Regulating District, prepared a statement duly verified under the seal of said District and caused a copy thereof to be filed with the County Clerk effected or containing any real estate which is benefited, showing the locality, name of owner, proportionate cost total amount assessed for the year 2006, which statement contains the amount to be levied and collected in the County of Saratoga, namely:

<u>LOCATED IN</u>	<u>NAME OF OWNER</u>	<u>PROPORTION OF COST</u>	<u>ANNUAL PAYMENT TO BE ASSESSED & COLLECTED FOR YEAR 2006 INCLUDES 1% SERVICE FEE</u>
Town of Halfmoon	Fourth Branch Associates	0.02424	\$108,838.84

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the foregoing assessment for 2006 be levied and assessed against the parcel and property rights of the above named owners in accordance with the description thereof upon the assessment books of the above named County, and the said assessment be included in the assessment tax roll of said County, and the officer charged with that duty be, and hereby is authorized and directed to extend said tax in said County as herein stated, and the County collector or other officer charged with the duty of collecting taxes be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to collect said taxes as extended for the year 2006, as general taxes are collected.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 243 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, DeCerce, Hargrave, A. Johnson, M. Johnson, Peck and Wood

SETTING NOVEMBER 29, 2006 FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON REVISED TENTATIVE 2007 SARATOGA COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Budget Officer timely submitted the tentative 2007 Budget on November 1, 2006 to this Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Law 1-50, our Law and Finance Committee will have reviewed and revised the tentative Budget prior to November 18, 2006; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, the entire Board will review that revised Budget; and

WHEREAS, County Law Section 359 requires the conduct of a public hearing on the revised tentative budget before its adoption; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors shall hold a public hearing on the revised tentative 2007 Saratoga County Budget on November 29, 2006, at 5:30 P.M. at the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, New York 12020; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Board give the required notice of this hearing by publication in The Saratogian, The Ballston Journal, The Daily Gazette, The Times Union and The Post Star.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 244 – 06 (TABLED)

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, DeCerce, Hargrave, A. Johnson, M. Johnson, Peck and Wood

ADOPTING 2007 SARATOGA COUNTY BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the tentative 2007 Saratoga County Budget, submitted by the Budget Officer on November 1, 2006 with amendments, if any, be, and the same hereby is, adopted.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 245 – 06 (TABLED)

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, DeCerce, Hargrave, A. Johnson, M. Johnson, Peck and Wood

APPROPRIATING AMOUNTS FINALLY SET FORTH IN 2007 SARATOGA COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS, Resolution 244 of 2006 adopts, with certain amendments, the revised tentative 2007 Budget previously submitted by the Budget Officer; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the several amounts specified in the tentative 2007 Saratoga County Budget in the column entitled "Law and Finance Recommendations", with amendments, if any, be inserted by the Clerk of this Board in the column entitled "Adopted", and that the total amounts as listed under each department heading be carried into the column entitled "Total"; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that, effective January 1, 2007, these total amounts are appropriated for the objects and purposes specified in the now-adopted 2007 Budget for the County of Saratoga.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

Ms. Yepsen commended Mr. Peck for the Green Infrastructure Plan. The Board needs to continue to provide a tool kit and funding mechanisms to implement this Plan to see that it is carried through, she said. She said he hopes and Land Preservation and Law & Finance Committees look at creative ways at funding this including the real estate transfer tax and partnering with Saratoga P.L.A.N. From the survey that was sent out, she said 70% of County residents stated they moved here and live here because of open space.

Mr. Peck announced that Saratoga P.L.A.N. will be hosting a brown bag lunch to talk about property tax relief for land conservation on November 28th from 12:00 to 1:00 in Saratoga Springs.

Mr. DeCerce invited everyone to the Halfmoon Christmas Parade on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

On a motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Grattidge, the meeting was adjourned to Wednesday, December 13th at 4:45 p.m.

Barbara J. Plummer, Clerk